

development, and research, assume a .5 percent change in the CPI index, and provide no tax reductions (rejected by a recorded vote of 130 ayes to 295 noes, Roll No. 177); and

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The Sabo amendment, in the nature of a substitute, that sought to achieve a balanced budget by 2002, reduce defense, veterans, and discretionary program spending, achieve savings in Medicare, Medicaid, and welfare, increase funding for programs including education, training, environmental, and health, and provide tax reductions (rejected by a recorded vote of 117 ayes to 304 noes, Roll No. 178).

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H. Res. 435, the rule providing for the further consideration of the concurrent resolution was agreed to by a voice vote. Earlier, agreed to order the previous question on the rule by a yea-and-nay vote of 227 yeas to 196 nays, Roll No. 175.

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Legislative Program: The Majority Leader announced the legislative program for the week of May 20. Agreed to adjourn from Thursday to Monday.

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Meeting Hour: Agreed that when the House adjourn on Thursday, it adjourn to meet at 2:00 p.m. on Monday, May 20; and that when it adjourns on Monday, May 20, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 21, for morning hour debates.

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Calendar Wednesday: Agreed to dispense with Calendar Wednesday business of May 22.

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Presidential Message—National Emergency Re Iran: Read a message from the President wherein he submits his report concerning the national emergency with respect to Iran—referred to the Committee on International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 104–214).

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Amendments Ordered Printed: Amendments printed pursuant to the rule appear on pages H5288–89.

Senate Messages: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H5185.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two yea-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H5198, H5217–18, H5232–33, H5245–46, and H5260. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: Met at 9:15 a.m. and adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

NATIONAL CHEESE EXCHANGE—PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry and the Subcommittee on Risk Management and Specialty Crops concluded joint hearings to consider issues raised by a recently released study of trading practices and procedures on the National Cheese Exchange. Testimony was heard from Keith Collins, Chief Economist, USDA; and public witnesses.

LABOR—HHS—EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education concluded appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from Members of Congress.

The Subcommittee also held a hearing on Consolidated Departmental Management and Consolidated Inspectors General. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Labor: Cynthia A. Metzler, Acting Deputy Secretary; and Charles C. Masten, Inspector General.

INTERNATIONAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AUTHORIZATION

Committee on Banking and Financial Services: Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy approved for full Committee action amended H.R. 3399, to authorize appropriations for the United States contribution to the 104th replenishment of the resources of the International Development Association, to authorize consent to and authorize appropriations for the United States contribution to the fifth replenishment of the resources of the African Development Bank, to authorize consent to and authorize appropriations for a United States contribution to the interest subsidy account of the successor (ESAF II) to the Enhanced Structural Adjustment Facility of the International Monetary Fund, and to provide for the establishment of the Middle East Development Bank.

FAN FREEDOM AND COMMUNITY PROTECTION ACT

Committee on Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Hazardous Materials held a hearing on H.R. 2740, Fan Freedom and Community Protection Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives Hoke, DeLay, Bryant of Tennessee, Jackson-Lee of Texas and Flanagan; Bob Lanier, Mayor, Houston,

Texas; Philip N. Bredeson, Mayor, Nashville, Tennessee; Jane Hague, Chairwoman, King County Council, Seattle, Washington; and public witnesses.

COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL TRAVEL GUIDELINES

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on Government Management, Information and Technology held a hearing on Senior Executive Branch Officials Compliance with Federal Travel Guidelines. Testimony was heard from Bonnie Cohen, Assistant Secretary, Policy Management and Budget, Chief Financial Officer, Department of the Interior; Harold Gracey, Chief of Staff, Department of Veterans Affairs; Patricia Lattimore, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Administration and Management, Department of Labor; and a public witness.

IMPACT OF REGULATIONS ON EMPLOYMENT

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Economic Growth, Natural Resources, and Regulatory Affairs held a hearing on the Impact of Regulations on Employment. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

WHITE HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS AGENCY—MISMANAGEMENT AND WASTE

Committee on Government Reform and Oversight, Subcommittee on National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice, hearing on Mismanagement and Waste at the White House Communications Agency. Testimony was heard from Robert Lieberman, Assistant Inspector General, Auditing, Department of Defense; and Henry L. Hinton, Assistant Comptroller General, National Security and International Affairs Division, GAO.

Subcommittee recessed subject to call.

FEC AUTHORIZATION

Committee on House Oversight: Approved H.R. 3461, to authorize appropriations for the Federal Election Commission for fiscal year 1997.

Prior to this action, the Committee held a hearing on this measure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the FEC: Lee Ann Elliott, Chairman; Scott E. Thomas, Commissioner and Chairman, Finance Committee; and Joan D. Aikens, Commissioner.

MFN IMPACT FOR CHINA

Committee on International Relations: Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade and the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, joint hearing on the Impact of MFN for China on U.S.-China Economic Relations. Testimony was heard from Representative Pelosi; Peter Tarnoff, Under Secretary,

Political Affairs, Department of State; Stuart E. Eizenstat, Under Secretary, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—PROJECTED INCREASES IN LEGAL IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Immigration and Claims held an oversight hearing regarding projected increases in legal immigration. Testimony was heard from Susan Martin, Executive Director, Commission on Immigration Reform; Robert Bach, Executive Assistant Commissioner, Policy and Planning, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice; the following officials of the Visa Office, Department of State: Cornelius D. Scully and Seton P. Stapleton; and Nancy Gordon, Associate Director, Demographic Programs, Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Resources: Ordered reported the following measures: H.J. Res. 70, authorizing the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity to establish a memorial to Martin Luther King, Jr. in the District of Columbia or its environs; H.R. 3068, to accept the request of the Prairie Island Indian Community to revoke their charter of incorporation issued under the Indian Reorganization Act; and H.R. 848, amended, to increase the amount authorized to be appropriated for assistance for highway relocation regarding Chickamauga and Chattanooga National Military Park in Georgia.

OVERSIGHT

Committee on Resources: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife and Oceans held an oversight hearing on the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Testimony was heard from Representative Chenoweth; Daniel M. Ashe, Assistant Director, External Affairs, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Amos Eno, Executive Director, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation; and public witnesses.

DEFEND AMERICA ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified closed rule, providing for consideration in the House of H.R. 3144, Defend America Act of 1996, with 2 hours of debate. The rule waives all points of order against the bill and against its consideration. The rule provides for one minority amendment in the nature of a substitute which shall be considered as read and shall be debatable separately for 1 hour. The rule waives all points of order against the substitute. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions.

Testimony was heard from Chairman Spence and Representatives Dellums and Spratt.

REPEAL FUEL TAX INCREASE

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a closed rule waiving all points of order against H.R. 3415, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 4.3-cent increase in the transportation motor fuels excise tax rates enacted by the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1993 and dedicated to the general fund of the Treasury, and against its consideration. The rule provides for the adoption of the amendment printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides 1 hour of debate. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Archer and Representatives Seastrand, Gibbons, Dingell, Markey and Bentsen.

INTELLIGENCE AUTHORIZATION ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a modified open rule providing 1 hour of debate on H.R. 3259, Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997. The rule waives section 302(f) (prohibiting consideration of legislation which exceeds a committee's allocation of new entitlement authority), section 308(a) (requiring a cost estimate in the committee report on new entitlement authority), and section 401(a) (prohibiting consideration of legislation containing contract authority not previously subject to appropriation) of the Budget Act against consideration of the bill.

The rule makes in order for consideration for amendment under the five minute rule the amendment in the nature of a substitute now printed in the bill, which shall be considered by title and as read. The rule waives clause 7 of rule XVI (germaneness), clause 5(b) of rule XXI (prohibition of consideration of legislation containing revenue provisions if not considered by the Committee on Ways and Means), and section 302(f) (providing consideration of legislation which exceeds a committee's allocation of new entitlement authority) and section 401(a) (prohibiting consideration of legislation containing contract authority not previously subject to appropriation) of the Budget Act against the committee amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule makes in order only those amendments to the substitute which are pre-printed in the *Congressional Record*. The rule allows the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole to postpone votes during consideration of the bill, and to reduce votes to five minutes on a postponed question if the vote follows a fifteen minute vote. Finally, the rule provides one motion to recommit, with or without instructions. Testimony was heard from Chairman Combest and Representative Dicks.

METRIC SYSTEM CONVERSION ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Technology held a hearing on proposed amendments to the Met-

ric System Conversion Act. Testimony was heard from Representative Cox of California; Mark Bohannon, Chief Counsel for Technology, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

ISTEA REAUTHORIZATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Surface Transportation continued hearings on ISTEA Reauthorization: Transportation Finance in an Era of Scarce Resources: the Highway Trust Fund. Testimony was heard from Phyllis F. Scheinberg, Associate Director, Transportation and Telecommunications Issues, GAO; Robert Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director, Budget Analysis Division, CBO; the following officials of the Department of the Treasury: Marty Washburn, National Director, Specialty Taxes; and Edward L. Federico, Director, National Operations for Criminal Investigations; the following officials of the Department of Transportation: Anthony Kane, Executive Director, Federal Highway Administration; and Jack Basso, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Budget and Program; and public witnesses.

Hearings continue May 30.

NEW PUBLIC LAWS

(For last listing of Public Laws, see DAILY DIGEST p. D472)

H.R. 2243, to amend the Trinity River Basin Fish and Wildlife Management Act of 1984, to extend for three years the availability of moneys for the restoration of fish and wildlife in the Trinity River. Signed May 15, 1996. (P.L. 104-143)

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY, MAY 17, 1996

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1997 for the Corporation for National and Community Service, 9:30 a.m., SD-192.

Committee on Foreign Relations, to hold hearings on the nominations of Avis T. Bohlen, of the District of Columbia, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Bulgaria, and Marisa R. Lino, of Oregon, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Albania, 10 a.m., SD-419.

Special Committee To Investigate Whitewater Development Corporation and Related Matters, to continue hearings to examine certain issues relative to the Whitewater Development Corporation, 9:30 a.m., SH-216.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.